

### **REMARKS**

Applicants appreciate the notification that claims 68, 70, 74, 76, 78 and 79 are free of the prior art.

Applicants file a Request for Continued Examination herewith.

Claims 64-79 have been cancelled without prejudice, and claims 80-84 have been added. No new matter has been added by virtue of the amendments. The newly added claims correspond to the claims indicated to be free of the prior art rewritten in independent form.

Claims 64, 67, 69, 71-73 and 77 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 over CA 123:33653.

While Applicants disagree with the rejection, it is also believed the rejection has been obviated by the amendments made herein. In particular, the claims presented were indicated in the Office Action to be free of the prior art as discussed above. Withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

Claims 67-71 and 73-77 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. The basis of the rejection is that the term "the compound comprises" is indefinite.

Claims 78 and 79 also were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. The basis of this rejection is that the phrase "susceptible to undesired thrombosis" is indefinite.

While Applicants also disagree with these formal-type rejections, it is also believed these rejections have been obviated by amendments made herein. The claims presented herein do not recite the objected-to language.

In view thereof, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are requested.

It is believed the application in condition for immediate allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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